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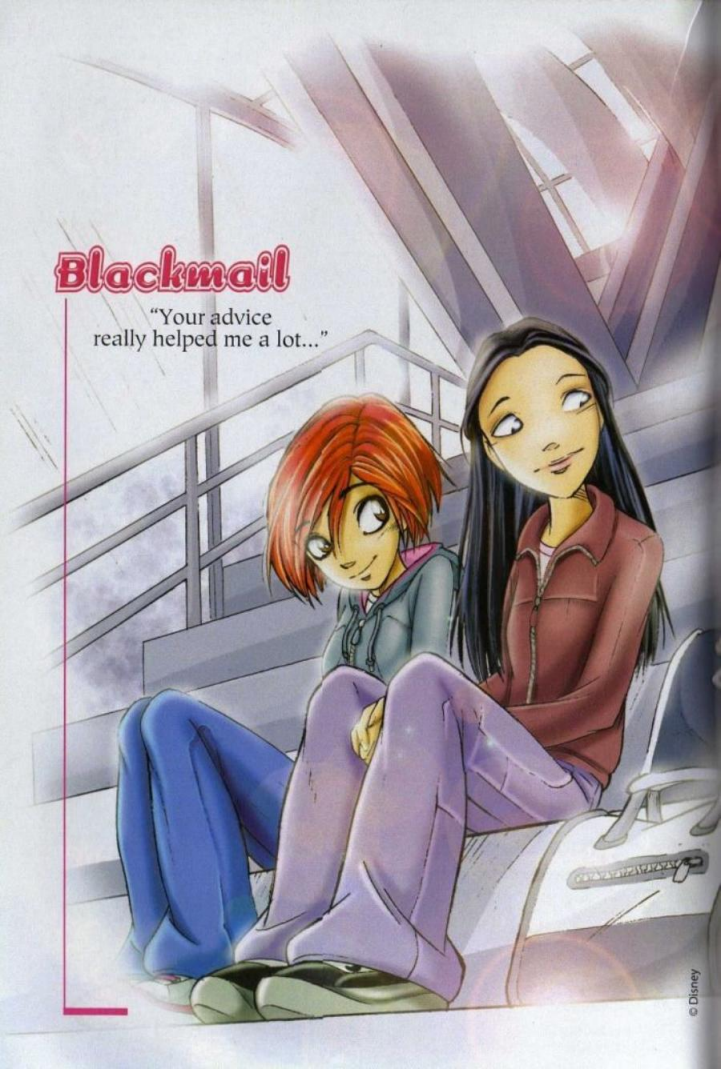
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"Your advice
really helped me a lot..."
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Sheffield Institute
BEYOND THIS ENTRANCE, A NEW SCHOOL DAY IS ABOUT TO BEGIN.
FOR SOME, IT'LL BE WONDERFUL. FOR OTHERS, IT'LL BE THE SAME OLD ENDLESS SIX HOURS.
AND IF IT'S TRUE THAT YOU CAN TELL A GOOD DAY BY HOW IT STARTS...
MATT!
...FOR WILL VANDOM, THIS IS NOT GOING TO BE A DAY TO REMEMBER!
HI, MATT!
!
SEE THAT? HE DIDN'T EVEN SAY HI TO ME! HE DIDN'T EVEN BOTHER TO PRETEND HE DIDN'T SEE ME!

THAT SHOULDN'T SURPRISE YOU, ESPECIALLY AFTER THE WAY YOU TREATED HIM!
BUT I THOUGHT THAT HE AND MANDY...
WHAT YOU THINK DOESN'T MATTER! YOU SHOULD'VE CONFRONTED HIM ABOUT IT!
THERE'S NOTHING MORE DANGEROUS THAN KEEPING ALL YOUR DOUBTS LOCKED UP INSIDE OF YOU! I'M TELLING YOU THAT FROM EXPERIENCE!
IF SOMETHING'S WRONG, IT'S ALWAYS BETTER TO LET IT ALL OUT! IF YOU LIKE SOMEONE, JUST GO UP TO HIM AND TELL HIM! THAT'S WHAT I ALWAYS DO!
BUT THEN AGAIN, YOU DON'T HAVE A BOYFRIEND!
TACTFUL AS EVER, MISS SENSITIVITY! ANYWAY, I DIDN'T SAY IT ALWAYS WORKED!
BUT THIS IS COMPLETELY DIFFERENT, IRMA! I HAVE TO APOLOGIZE TO HIM!
ARE YOU CRAZY? NEVER TELL A BOY YOU'RE SORRY!
NOT EVEN WHEN YOU'RE TOTALLY WRONG?

I WAS WRONG ABOUT HIM AND MANDY! SHE'S AN OLD FRIEND OF HIS! SHE'S A REALLY NICE GIRL AND SHE'S GOING THROUGH A ROUGH TIME...
HER PARENTS ARE GETTING SEPARATED! IT'S TERRIBLE WHEN THAT HAPPENS! I'VE BEEN THROUGH IT MYSELF!
SPEAKING OF WHICH, HOW'S LIFE TREATING YOU NOW THAT YOUR DAD'S COME BACK?
PRETTY BAD! MOM'S REALLY UPSET! I DON'T THINK SHE'S TOLD ME EVERYTHING ABOUT WHAT'S GOING ON!
?
!
AWEEEE-OOOO
WHAT IS THAT THING?
IT'S SHEFFIELD'S NEW COMMUNICATION SYSTEM! IT WAS MY IDEA, AND MS. KNICKERBOCHER WAS NICE ENOUGH TO GIVE ME HER GO SIGNAL...
GOOD MORNING, STUDENTS! THIS IS YOUR PRINCIPAL SPEAKING! I HAVE AN IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT TO MAKE!

OUR SCHOOL HAS BEEN SELECTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR THE ANNUAL STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM!
OUR BEST STUDENTS WILL SPEND THREE WEEKS AT THE PRESTIGIOUS REDSTONE ACADEMY...
...LOCATED A FEW THOUSAND MILES AWAY FROM HEATHERFIELD!
YAHOO!
THAT'D BE GREAT!
WOW!
YOUR GRADES WILL DETERMINE WHO LEAVES AND WHO STAYS HERE AT HOME!
HA! HA! HA!
THEREFORE, AS OF TOMORROW, WE WILL BEGIN TO ADMINISTER A SHORT TEST, WHICH I INVITE ALL OF YOU TO TAKE... YES, EVEN YOU, URIAH!
HEH! HEH! HEH!
THE ONLY WAY THAT BUBBLEBRAIN COULD GO ON THE TRIP IS BY HIDING IN SOMEBODY'S SUITCASE!
HA! HA! HA!
HEE! HEE! HEE!
BUBBLE-BRAIN, HUH?
UH-OH...
!

WITH THIS JOURNEY, SHEFFIELD INSTITUTE WISHES TO REWARD COMMITMENT AND EFFORT, WHICH ARE INDISPENSABLE QUALITIES AT SCHOOL...
...AND IN LIFE!
WHAT PERFORMANCE! WHAT PERFECT ACOUSTICS! IT'S AS THOUGH THE PRINCIPAL WERE IN EVERY CORNER OF THE SCHOOL!
THAT'S WHY WE'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO THANK YOU ENOUGH, GIDEON!
TO QUOTE THE IMMORTAL WORDS OF MR. FOLDER, OUR SCHOOL'S FIRST PRINCIPAL... CRRRKK... CRRACKKK... CRRRRRK...
CRRRKK CRRACKKK CREEEEK? WHAT DID SHE MEAN BY THAT?
MAYBE MR. FOLDER WAS FROM ANOTHER PLANET!
WHILE WE'RE AT IT, I'D SAY MS. KNICKERBOCHER IS, TOO...
WHAT... WHAT'S HAPPENING?
CRRYKRRRR KKKK RKKKRRR
WAMP
CRRKKKK! CRAK ZRAK
EEEEEK!

POW
WAMP
FLAK
POW
GIDEON! YOU ASSURED ME THAT EVERYTHING WOULD FUNCTION PERFECTLY!
I'M SO SORRY...
WELL? WHAT ARE YOU ALL STILL DOING HERE?
WE'RE WAITING TO FIND OUT WHAT MR. FOLDER'S IMMORTAL WORDS WERE, MA'AM!
GET TO CLASS!
THOSE WERE HIS WORDS!
UM... ISN'T THAT A BIT TOO COMMON TO MAKE HISTORY?
TO CLASS!
HA! HA! HA! CATCH YOU LATER, GUYS!
SEE YOU!

ELSEWHERE, IN A DIRTY HOTEL IN THE OUTSKIRTS OF THE CITY...
TUMP TUMP TUMP
OH, IT'S YOU...
COME ON IN, HARVEY...
DID YOU SLEEP WELL, MR. VANDOM?
LIKE A LOG... THAT IS, UNTIL YOU WOKE ME UP WITH YOUR PHONE CALL!
I HAD A VALID REASON WHY I DID IT!
I HOPE SO... FOR YOUR SAKE!
YOU'RE GOING TO THANK ME! TAKE A LOOK AT THESE!

WHO'S THAT WOMAN TALKING TO SUSAN?
YOU'LL NEVER BELIEVE IT...
THAT'S THERESA COOK! JUDGE COOK! SHE'S THE ONE ASSIGNED TO YOUR DAUGHTER'S CUSTODY CASE!
I WAS OUTSIDE YOUR WIFE'S HOUSE, KEEPING AN EYE ON HER LIKE YOU ASKED ME TO... WHEN I SAW HER SHOW UP!
WHAT A LUCKY BREAK, HUH? AN IMPARTIAL JUDGE SHOULD NEVER BE IN CONTACT WITH THE DEFENDANTS IN HER CASES!
HMMM...
HMMM...
YOU'VE GOT COOK IN THE PALM OF YOUR HAND, MR. VANDOM! YOU COULD THREATEN HER... OR BLACKMAIL HER IF YOU WANTED TO!
LOOK, HARVEY... THIS IS EXACTLY WHY PEOPLE LIKE YOU NEVER GET ANYWHERE IN LIFE!
YOU'LL ALWAYS BE A HARVEY SUMERICK, RIGHT TO THE VERY END, BECAUSE YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND... YOU'RE BLIND TO WHAT'S GOING ON AROUND YOU!
WHAT'S THERE TO SEE?
THESE AREN'T TWO DEFENSELESS LITTLE WOMEN, BUT TWO PEOPLE PREPARING TO FIGHT!
HUH?

THEY'VE GOT SOMETHING UP THEIR SLEEVES, AND IF WE ASSUME WE'RE STRONGER THAN THEM, WE'VE ALREADY LOST!
WARNING BELLS ARE GOING OFF IN MY HEAD, HARVEY...
"...WHICH IS WHY I'LL BE THE ONE TO MAKE THE NEXT MOVE!"
COME ON! KEEP GOING! ONE MORE LAP!

LAURA'S REALLY SOMETHING!
SO'S KARL!

HE HASN'T STOPPED SHOUTING SINCE I GOT HERE! WHAT A GREAT SET OF LUNGS!
I BET HE WAS A FREE-DIVING CHAMP WHEN HE WAS YOUNGER!
YOU NERVOUS ABOUT NEXT WEEK'S MEET, MANDY?
WELL, MY MOM'S COMING TO WATCH ME! THAT'S WHAT'S MAKING ME NERVOUS!

YOUR ADVICE REALLY HELPED ME A LOT! MOM DOESN'T GET SO ANGRY NOW WHEN I SEE MY DAD...
...AND HE'S ACCEPTED THE IDEA OF SPENDING LESS TIME WITH ME!
THE IMPORTANT THING IS THAT YOU SPEND YOUR TIME TOGETHER WELL! EVERY MOMENT THAT PASSES IS A MOMENT THAT'S GONE FOREVER!
IF I HAD AN ETERNITY IN FRONT OF ME, I COULD DEDICATE MYSELF AS MUCH AS I WANTED TO THE PEOPLE I LOVE!
THAT'D BE NICE! TIME IS A BIG PROBLEM! WE SHOULD USE WHAT WE HAVE OF IT TO THE FULLEST!
SOMETIMES WE WASTE IT ON USELESS THINGS, AND WE FORGET WHAT REALLY COUNTS IN LIFE!
EXIT
THE PROBLEM IS, WE OFTEN REALIZE HOW IMPORTANT SOMEONE IS TO US ONLY WHEN THEY'RE NOT AROUND ANYMORE!
DO YOU MEAN IN GENERAL...
...OR ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT MATT?

OH, DON'T GET ME WRONG! I... I...
YOU'RE MAKING THINGS WAY MORE COMPLICATED THAN THEY NEED TO BE, WILL!
YOU LIKE MATT, DON'T YOU?
THERE'S NOTHING WRONG IN SAYING THAT! I TOTALLY UNDERSTAND YOU! I'VE KNOWN MATT MY WHOLE LIFE, AND I KNOW WHAT A GREAT GUY HE IS!
I FEEL SO BAD ABOUT HOW I TREATED HIM!
BUT NOW I WANT TO CLEAR THINGS UP! I THOUGHT THAT YOU AND HE... I MEAN, I JUST WANT TO SAY SORRY FOR MY MISTAKE, BUT NOW HE'S IGNORING ME!
WELL, HE'S... HE'S SOMEONE I REALLY CARE ABOUT!
HE'S TOUCHY, THAT'S TRUE! BUT HE'LL GET OVER IT, LIKE HE ALWAYS DOES!
GIVE HIM SOME TIME, WILL! LITTLE BY LITTLE, HE'LL GET CLOSER AGAIN! YOU'LL SEE!
BUT I CAN'T WAIT ANY LONGER!
WHEN I SEE HIM SHOW UP AT SCHOOL EVERY MORNING, IT'S PURE TORTURE! IT'S TERRIBLE! TO HIM, IT'S LIKE I DON'T EVEN EXIST! WHAT CAN I DO?
YOU WANT SOME HONEST ADVICE?

POOT
POOT
POOOT
?
?

HOP IN, WILL! I'LL GIVE YOU A RIDE HOME!
DAD!

SO ON! I'LL CALL YOU LATER ON!
OH.. OKAY, MANDY!
SOME STORM, HUH? LOOKED LIKE THE WEATHER WAS GOING TO HOLD OUT, BUT IT'S RAINING CATS AND DOGS!
YOU SHOWED UP JUST IN TIME!
AFTER A WHOLE AFTERNOON IN THE POOL, I THOUGHT A RUN IN THE RAIN WOULDVE BEEN TOO MUCH FOR YOU!
WELL, IT SURE WOULDVE GIVEN ME A RUN FOR MY MONEY!
BUT THEN, I'M NOT YOUR RUN-OF-THE-MILL KID!
STILL, IF YOU'D CAUGHT A COLD..
YOU WOULDVE ENDED UP WITH A RUNNY NOSE! GOT IT?
HA! HA! HA! HILARIOUS!

AT LEAST SOMEONE IN THE VANDOM FAMILY STILL HAS A SENSE OF HUMOR!
HUH?
YOU'RE NOTHING LIKE YOUR GROUCHY MOTHER!
MOM'S NOT A GROUCH!
OH, YES SHE IS! YOU YOURSELF SAW HOW SHE HAD WELCOMED ME! SHE DIDN'T EXACTLY JUMP FOR JOY!
AND PRETTY SOON, THINGS MIGHT GET EVEN WORSE!
WHAT MAKES YOU SAY THAT?
WELL, WILL, I WAS HOPING WE COULD SPEND YOUR NEXT VACATION TOGETHER!
THAT'S GREAT! WE HAVEN'T GONE ON A TRIP FOR AGES! MOM WILL BE SOOOO HAPPY!
BUT I WASN'T THINKING OF INVITING HER! WHAT I HAD IN MIND WAS A VACATION FOR JUST YOU AND ME! FOR ONE WHOLE WEEK!
IN SOME GREAT PLACE FAR AWAY FROM THIS CITY! ANYWHERE YOU WANT! YOU PICK! WHAT DO YOU SAY?
I... I DON'T KNOW...

SOON YOU'LL HAVE TO CHOOSE WHICH SIDE YOU'RE ON, WILL!
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
YOU KNOW THAT QUESTION THAT PEOPLE ASK KIDS?
"WHO DO YOU LOVE MORE, MOM OR DAD?"
THAT'S A STUPID QUESTION! HOW CAN ANYONE ASK SOMETHING LIKE THAT?
IT'S STUPID, I KNOW, BUT SOONER OR LATER, SOMEBODY JUST MIGHT ASK YOU THAT...
AND THEN YOU'LL HAVE TO GIVE AN ANSWER, WILL!
I DON'T LIKE WHERE THIS CONVERSATION IS GOING! WHY ARE YOU SAYING THESE THINGS?
ARE YOU ANGRY? IT WAS ONLY A JOKE!
NO, IT WASN'T!
STOP THE CAR! I'M GETTING OUT!
WE'RE NOT THERE YET! YOU'LL GET SOAKED!

WILL!
WILL!
DAD DOESN'T HAVE ANY INTENTION OF GETTING BACK TOGETHER WITH MOM!
SO WHY DID HE COME TO HEATHERFIELD?
WHAT DOES HE WANT FROM US?
"AND WHAT DOES HE WANT FROM ME?"

WILL!
HI, MOM!
FOR HEAVEN'S SAKE! WHAT HAPPENED TO YOU? YOU'RE DRENCHED!
EVERYTHING'S FINE! DAD GAVE ME A RIDE HOME!
WHAT, IN A SPEEDBOAT?
WE WERE HAVING A TALK AND...
...DID HE TELL YOU ABOUT THIS, TOO?
IT'S A LETTER FROM THE COURTHOUSE!
I GOT IT THIS MORNING! IT'S A SUBPOENA! THERE'S GOING TO BE A HEARING ABOUT YOUR CUSTODY!
C-CUSTODY?
YOUR FATHER WANTS YOU TO LIVE WITH HIM, WILL! HE WANTS TO TAKE YOU AWAY FROM ME! THIS IS THE WONDERFUL MAN WHO CAME BACK TO STAY BY HIS FAMILY'S SIDE!

I... I CAN'T BELIEVE IT! I DON'T WANT TO BELIEVE IT! WHY WOULD HE DO SOMETHING LIKE THIS?
THAT'S SOMETHING YOU'LL HAVE TO ASK HIM YOURSELF!
I KNEW HE HAD SOMETHING UP HIS SLEEVE WHEN HE REFUSED TO SIGN OUR DIVORCE PAPERS!
ALL OF HIS PRESENTS! HIS ATTENTION! HE TRICKED ME! HE WAS JUST USING ME TO HURT YOU!
COME HERE, WILL!
..MY LITTLE SWEETHEART!
OH, MOM!
I WAS HOPING WE COULD ALL LIVE TOGETHER!
IF HE TOLD YOU THERE WAS ANY CHANCE OF THAT, HE WAS LYING, WILL!
SO WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO NOW?
THERE'S STILL TIME! MY LAWYER WILL TAKE CARE OF IT, AND I'LL GIVE THOMAS ONE HECK OF A BATTLE IN COURT!

I'M NOT GOING TO LOSE YOU, WILL! THAT'S A PROMISE!

AND SO, THE NEXT DAY...
DON'T WORRY! IT'S JUST A SERIES OF SIMPLE QUESTIONS! ALL OF YOUR SCHOOLMATES ARE FILLING ONE OUT!
IT'S AN APTITUDE TEST TO UNDERSTAND YOU BETTER, AND TO EVALUATE YOU WITH GREATER PRECISION!
IT WILL ALLOW US TO CHOSE THE FINEST, MOST SUITABLE STUDENTS TO TAKE PART IN SHEFFIELD'S STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM!
YOU HAVE ONE HOUR TO FINISH, AND NO CHEATING! IT WOULDN'T DO YOU ANY GOOD ANYWAY!
WELL, LET'S GET TO IT! GOOD LUCK, EVERYONE!
WHAT'S UP? WHY AREN'T YOU WRITING?
I WAS THINKING ABOUT MY DAD, CORNELIA! I THOUGHT HE WAS A DIFFERENT PERSON!
WHAT DID YOUR MOM SAY?
SHE TOLD ME NOT TO WORRY, BUT I COULDN'T SLEEP ALL NIGHT!

"I KNOW SHE'LL THINK OF SOMETHING! I JUST HOPE IT'S SOMETHING SHE WON'T REGRET!"
BREEEEP BREEEEP BREEEEEP
HUH?
HELLO?
HELLO, THOMAS!
I'D LIKE TO TALK TO YOU FACE TO FACE, WITHOUT GETTING WILL OR ANYONE ELSE INVOLVED! WHAT DO YOU SAY?
FANTASTIC, SUSAN!
THAT'S JUST WHAT I WAS WAITING FOR! THERE'S SOMETHING THE TWO OF US NEED TO TALK ABOUT! CAN WE MEET UP LATER TODAY?
I WANT TO SEE YOU RIGHT AWAY, HALF AN HOUR AT MY PLACE! YOU KNOW THE ADDRESS!
YES, SUSAN! AND I KNOW YOU, TOO!
DRIIIING
TIME'S UP, PEOPLE!
PASS YOUR PAPERS AND GET OUT OF MY CLASS-ROOM!
BYE, TEACH!
SEE YOU TOMOR-ROW, MR. HORSE-BERG!

STUPID EXAM! I SAY IT WAS JUST ANOTHER EXCUSE TO TORTURE US! WHAT GOOD WERE ALL THOSE QUESTIONS, ANYHOW?
IT WAS SOME SORT OF IQ TEST! THE PRINCIPAL WANTS TO LOOK GOOD IN THE EYES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION!
AFTER ALL, A HIGH GRADE POINT AVERAGE ISN'T ALWAYS AN INDICATION OF GRAY MATTER!
WHAT DO YOU MEAN, GRADE POINT AVERAGE? SCHOOL JUST STARTED!
THEY'RE PROBABLY GOING TO LOOK AT OUR GRADES FROM LAST YEAR!
THEN I DON'T HAVE VERY GOOD CHANCES OF GOING!
CLANG
IF YOU WANT, I CAN GIVE YOU A LIFT!
!
IF WE SQUEEZE IN TIGHT, THERE'S ROOM FOR BOTH OF US IN MY SUITCASE!
URIAH! WHAT A PLEASANT SURPRISE!
YOUR LITTLE WISECRACK YESTERDAY WASN'T FUNNY, MISS METAL-MOUTH!
DID THAT BOTHER YOU? BUT I WAS ONLY KIDDING!
THAT'S RIGHT! SO WHY DON'T YOU GIVE IT A BREAK, URIAH?
AND WHY DON'T YOU GO TAKE A HIKE? I NEED TO HAVE A CHAT WITH YOUR LITTLE FRIEND HERE!

YOU'RE GOING TO APOLOGIZE FOR WHAT YOU CALLED ME, METALMOUTH!
I HAVE TO APOLOGIZE FOR SAYING BUBBLEBRAIN?
DON'T SAY THAT AGAIN! I DON'T WANT TO HEAR YOU SAY THAT WORD!
WHAT WORD? BUBBLEBRAIN? OKAY, IF IT BOTHERS YOU, I WON'T SAY BUBBLEBRAIN ANYMORE!
BUT TELL ME, IF I CAN BE METALMOUTH, WHY CAN'T YOU BE BUBBLEBRAIN?
YOU'RE DOING THIS ON PURPOSE! YOU'RE TRYING TO MAKE FUN OF ME!
SHOULD I SEND A MENTAL MESSAGE TO WILL AND CORNY?
GOOD IDEA! CALL IN THE REINFORCEMENTS! HAY LIN'S GETTING HIM ANGRY!
CLEAN OUT HER LOCKER, KURT! THIS CLOWN'S GOT TO UNDERSTAND THAT SHE'S FOOLING WITH THE WRONG GUY!
MY PLEASURE, URIAH!
NO!
CLUD
CRY

YOU CAN'T JUST DO WHATEVER YOU WANT! GET OUT OF HERE RIGHT NOW, OR I'LL TELL THE PRINCIPAL!
GOOD THING YOU DECIDED NOT TO GET ANGRY!
OOOOH, I'M SCARED! SHOULD WE LEAVE, GUYS?
IF I WERE YOU, I'D TAKE HER ADVICE!
AND QUICK, TOO!
IT LOOKS LIKE TEMPERS ARE FLARING UP!
I THINK THIS CALLS FOR AN EXTINGUISHER!
UH-OH!
HA! HA! HA!
YOU IDIOT! I'M GOING TO...
KSSSSSS
NO, CORNELIA! WE CAN'T USE OUR POWERS HERE!
THEN WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO?

...RUN!
LET'S GET THEM, GUYS!
!
THANKS FOR THE HELP, ANYWAY!
WHAT WERE YOU THINKING OF DOING? TRANSFORMING THEM? ZAPPING THEM FROM BEHIND?
WE'RE IN SCHOOL, IF YOU HAVEN'T NOTICED, AND WE HAVE TO ACT LIKE EVERYBODY ELSE HERE!
THERE THEY ARE! DOWN THERE!
THE JANITOR'S CLOSET! INSIDE! QUICK!
RESERVED
HUH?
CLACK
YOU'VE HAD BETTER IDEAS, WILL! WHAT DO WE DO NOW?
WE GET OUT OF HERE... AND FAST!
BUT HOW?
WITH TRANSPOSITION! WE'VE ALREADY TRIED IT, AND IT WORKS!

RIGHT! WE'LL BEAM OURSELVES OUT OF THE SCHOOL WITHOUT GETTING CAUGHT BY URIAH AND HIS PALS!
SO CONCENTRATE, THEN!
THINK HARD ABOUT YOUR FINAL DESTINATION AND...
PUFF! PANT!
SNORT! MR. SYLLA! DID YOU SEE WILL AND HER FRIENDS PASS THIS WAY?
RESERVED
WELL... ACTUALLY, I...
...LET'S GO!
SHAA-A-AAAAAARTZ
TOC TUNK
RESERVED
BUMP
AHA! THEY'RE IN THERE!

COME OUT, COME OUT, WHEREVER YOU ARE!
HUH?
NOBODY'S HERE, URIAH!
IT'S AS EMPTY AS... AN EMPTY CLOSET!
WHAT THE HECK?! THEY MUST'VE GOTTEN OUT ALREADY!
WE LOST THEM!
DO YOU SMELL SMOKE, URIAH? PUT THAT EXTINGUISHER BACK WHERE YOU FOUND IT, AND DO IT ON THE DOUBLE!
!
OR YOUR CHANCES OF PASSING THIS YEAR WILL GO UP IN SMOKE!
YES, MA'AM! ALRIGHT, MS. KNICKERBOCHER!
IT'S NOT POSSIBLE!

"...THEY VANISHED INTO THIN AIR!"
SHAAAAAAARTZ
WOW!
I SHOULD USE THAT TRICK MORE OFTEN! IT SURE SAVES TIME WALKING HOME!
OBVIOUSLY, IT ONLY WORKS WHEN NOBODY'S HERE, SO...
SO THAT'S WHAT'S GOING ON, RIGHT?
!
I SHOULD'VE IMAGINED! AFTER ALL THESE YEARS, YOU HAVEN'T CHANGED ONE BIT!
THAT'S MOM'S VOICE! WHAT'S SHE DOING HERE? SHE SHOULD STILL BE AT WORK!

I'M A CONSISTENT PERSON, SUSAN! NORMALLY THAT QUALITY IS APPRECIATED!
YOU'RE A LOWLIFE, THOMAS!
YOU GAVE ME YOUR WORD THAT YOU'D GET OUT OF MY LIFE AND WILL'S LIFE FOREVER!
THAT'S A PROMISE I WOULD'VE GLADLY KEPT, MY DEAR! BUT AT TIMES, LIFE FORCES US TO MAKE DIFFICULT DECISIONS!
IT WASN'T EASY FOR ME TO COME HERE, BUT I PROMISE YOU THAT AFTER ALL THIS IS OVER, YOU'LL NEVER SEE ME AGAIN!
AND WHY SHOULD I BELIEVE THAT?
BECAUSE YOU HAVE NO CHOICE! BECAUSE I CAN TAKE WILL AWAY FROM YOU AND BELIEVE ME, I'M READY TO DO IT!
ON THE OTHER HAND, I COULD WITHDRAW MY CASE AND LET YOU GO BACK TO YOUR PEACEFUL LITTLE LIFE, AND TO YOUR HISTORY TEACHER!
AS YOU CAN SEE, I'M SERIOUS. AND NOW IT'S ALL UP TO YOU!

I NEED MONEY, SUSAN! A LOT OF MONEY! GIVE ME WHAT I NEED, AND YOU CAN KEEP WILL!
BUT ONE FALSE MOVE, AND I'LL TAKE YOUR DAUGHTER AWAY FROM YOU... AND IT'LL BE FOREVER!
I TOLD YOU, SWEETHEART! IT'S ALL UP TO YOU!
End of Part One.

Will's little dream of a peaceful, happy, united family is suddenly shattered.
In the next room, her father and mother are fighting.
For the first time after so many years, Will has the chance to see the real Thomas Vandom!
And she doesn't like what she sees one bit!
The choice is all yours, my dear! Will's fate is in your hands!
I'm willing to withdraw my case and call off the custody trial!
...if I pay you! Aren't you ashamed of yourself? You're asking me for money in exchange for Will, your own daughter!
How could you stoop so low?
I'd be flying much higher if certain deals of mine hadn't taken a turn for the worse, Susan!

I'VE GOT A HUGE DEBT TO PAY OFF WITH SOME PEOPLE WHO ARE GETTING IMPATIENT... AND YOU ARE MY LAST CHANCE!
YOU'RE A DESPICABLE EXTORTIONIST, THOMAS! THE SAME OLD CON ARTIST! YOU MAKE ME SICK!
I HAD NO CHOICE! YOU NEVER WOULD'VE HELPED ME OUT OF YOUR OWN FREE WILL!
ALL I NEEDED TO DO WAS HAVE YOU FOLLOWED BY A DETECTIVE, MY FRIEND HARVEY SUMERICK, AND THE REST FELL INTO PLACE ON ITS OWN!
FIRST THE PHOTO OF YOU WITH YOUR DEAR MR. COLLINS...
...AND NOW THIS!
?
YOU CAME OUT PRETTY WELL, YOU AND YOUR JUDGE FRIEND!
SO WHAT? THERESA COOK IS A FRIEND OF MINE!
IF THOSE PICTURES WERE MADE PUBLIC, SHE'D BE TAKING A BIG RISK! YOU DECIDE WHAT TO DO!

IF YOU GIVE ME WHAT I'M ASKING FOR, THOSE PHOTOS WILL DISAPPEAR, TOGETHER WITH MY CASE!
I'M NOT INTERESTED IN GETTING CUSTODY OF WILL! I CAN EASILY LEAVE HER WITH YOU, BUT IT'LL COST YOU!
YOU'VE GOT TWENTY-FOUR HOURS TO THINK IT OVER! HERE'S MY CELL PHONE NUMBER... AND BENEATH IT IS THE AMOUNT I'M GOING TO NEED!
THIS IS CRAZY! I DON'T HAVE THAT AMOUNT OF MONEY!
YOU'RE A RESOURCEFUL WOMAN, SUSAN! YOU'LL THINK OF SOMETHING!
AND REMEMBER... YOU'VE ONLY GOT TWENTY-FOUR HOURS! NOT A MINUTE LONGER!
SLAM

SLAM
WELCOME
I CAN'T BELIEVE IT! WHAT A SCUMBAG! AND I THOUGHT HE WAS A NICE GUY!
THERE ISN'T A MOMENT TO LOSE! THIS IS A SERIOUS SITUATION!
"...AND I'M NOT THE ONLY ONE INVOLVED!"
BUT I ALREADY KNEW ABOUT IT!
YOU KNEW ABOUT THE PHOTOS?
NO! I KNEW THAT MY MOM MET WITH YOURS, TO WARN HER!

WHY DIDN'T YOU TELL ME RIGHT AWAY? I THOUGHT THERE WEREN'T ANY SECRETS BETWEEN US!
AND THERE AREN'T, WILL! BUT THIS WAS WAY TOO DELICATE, AND I DIDN'T KNOW WHAT TO DO!

WELL... YOUR MOM SURE KNEW WHAT TO DO!
I'M PROUD OF HER, EVEN IF I CAN STILL FEEL THAT SLAP SHE GAVE ME!

IF MY DAD SHOWS THOSE PHOTOS, YOUR MOM COULD BE IN SERIOUS TROUBLE!
HIS BLACKMAIL SCHEME IS A THREAT FOR ALL OF US!

IF MR. VANDOM DOESN'T GET HIS MONEY, HE'LL WIN THE LAWSUIT HANDS DOWN... YOU'D HAVE TO GO WITH HIM AND MOVE FAR AWAY FROM HERE!
AND ONCE YOU'RE GONE, IT WOULD BE THE END OF EVERYTHING!

...IT WOULD BE THE END OF W.I.T.C.H.!
WE'RE STILL STANDING! WE'RE STILL HERE, AND WE'RE NOT GOING ANYWHERE!

WE COULD ASK KANDRAKAR FOR HELP! THE ORACLE COULD BANISH YOUR FATHER TO SOME KIND OF LIMBO, SOME WORLD JUST FOR LOSERS!
NO! THIS IS SOMETHING I NEED TO TAKE CARE OF ON MY OWN!

WILL'S RIGHT! THIS TIME WE'VE GOT TO SETTLE THINGS WITH OUR OWN POWERS!
BUT ISN'T THAT WHAT WE ALWAYS DO?
DO YOU HAVE A PLAN?
NO! I WANT TO STOP HIM FROM GETTING AWAY WITH THIS, BUT I DON'T KNOW HOW!
WE ALL HAVE A WEAKNESS, AND THAT GOES FOR MY DAD, TOO!
...BUT THE PROBLEM IS THAT WE DON'T KNOW HIM WELL ENOUGH TO KNOW WHAT HIS WEAKNESS IS!
SURE, WE DON'T! BUT KADMA MUST KNOW ALL ABOUT HIM!
WHAT DOES KADMA HAVE TO DO WITH THIS?
IT'S SIMPLE! IF THE RISING STAR FOUNDATION WATCHED OVER WILL HER WHOLE LIFE, SHE'LL KNOW EVERYTHING ABOUT HER...
...AND ABOUT MY FAMILY! HAY LIN'S RIGHT!
*READ W.I.T.C.H. 19.
I'LL GO BACK TO FADDEN HILLS AND TALK TO HER!
AND I'LL GO WITH YOU! MY MOM'S FUTURE IS RIDING ON THIS, TOO!
SO WHAT DO WE DO? I DON'T WANT TO JUST SIT AROUND TWIDDLING MY THUMBS!
WE'LL TAKE CARE OF THOSE PICTURES, IRMA!

WITHOUT THOSE SNAPSHOTS, HIS THREATS AGAINST JUDGE COOK WILL BURST LIKE A SOAP BUBBLE!
ALL WE NEED TO DO IS GET OUR HANDS ON THE NEGATIVES... IF ONLY WE KNEW WHERE TO FIND THEM!
HARVEY SUMERICK! WRITE DOWN THAT NAME! THAT'S THE DETECTIVE WHO WORKS FOR MY DAD!
I DON'T KNOW WHAT HE LOOKS LIKE OR WHERE HE LIVES, BUT IT'S A GOOD START!
IT'S A GREAT CLUE FOR THE FINEST INVESTIGATIVE MINDS OF OUR GENERATION!
IT'S ONLY A NAME, CORINY! I DON'T KNOW WHAT I'LL BE ABLE TO DO...
BUT THAT'S BECAUSE YOU AREN'T ONE OF THE FINEST INVESTIGATIVE MINDS OF OUR GENERATION, IRMA!
HEY! MY FATHER'S A POLICEMAN!
SO WHAT? IF MY PA WAS A PILOT, WOULD I KNOW HOW TO FLY A PLANE?
CALM DOWN, GUYS! RIGHT NOW WE NEED TO BE COLLABORATING, NOT FIGHTING!
I AM COLLABORATING! SHE'S THE ONE WHO'S FIGHTING!
TRY LOOKING ME IN THE EYE WHEN YOU SAY THAT... AND I'LL POKE YOURS IN!

WE'VE ONLY GOT ONE DAY TO DO THIS! BY TOMORROW, EVERYTHING HAS TO BE SETTLED!
SO LET'S NOT WASTE ANY TIME!
SO ARE WE BOTH GOING TO SEE KADMA?
YEAH! I'LL NEED YOUR WARMTH THERE WITH ME!
"FADDEN HILLS IS ALWAYS COLD THIS TIME OF THE YEAR!"
SHAAAAA-AAAAARTZ
LET'S HOPE KADMA'S AT HOME! I DON'T WANT TO TRAVEL ALL THE WAY HERE FOR NOTHING!
IT WAS WORTH THE TRIP, TARANEE! KADMA'S INSIDE...
...AND THANKS TO CHEEPEE, NOW SHE KNOWS WE'RE HERE!

AND SO...
I KNOW ALL ABOUT THOMAS VANDOM! WHEN HE LEFT YOU, YOU WERE ONLY A FEW YEARS OLD!
TELL ME ABOUT HIM! MY MOM NEVER WANTED TO TALK ABOUT HIM!
CAN YOU BLAME HER? THAT MAN MANAGED TO TURN HER LIFE INTO A LIVING HELL...
HIS STORY IS FAR TOO LONG TO TELL, AND IN ANY CASE, IT WOULDN'T BE ANYTHING NEW!
YOUR FATHER HAS ALWAYS LIVED IN THE WORLD OF BUSINESS! HE'S AN AMBITIOUS MAN, OBSESSED WITH SUCCESS AND WEALTH...
LIKE MANY OTHERS, HE SACRIFICED THE THINGS DEAREST TO HIM IN THE NAME OF GREED AND EGOTISM!
BECAUSE OF HIM, MANY PEOPLE HAVE SUFFERED, WHICH IS WHY HE'S LOST FOREVER!

THE MAN WHO MARRIED YOUR MOTHER WAS A VERY DIFFERENT PERSON! IT WAS WORK THAT DISTANCED HIM FROM HIS FAMILY...
THINGS WERE GOING WELL, BUT HE WASN'T HAPPY! HE BEGAN TO MAKE INVESTMENTS THAT WERE TOO RISKY...
LIKE SOME GAMBLERS, THOMAS BECAME PRACTICALLY ADDICTED TO IT!
THE MORE MONEY HE EARNED, THE MORE HE LOST, ON AN ENDLESS ROLLER COASTER MOVING FROM GREAT FORTUNE TO DIFFICULT TIMES...
AND... MY MOM?
SHE TRIED TO HELP HIM, SACRIFICING ALL OF HER SAVINGS, RIGHT DOWN TO THE VERY LAST CENT...
...BUT THOMAS WASN'T SATISFIED! HE SOLD HER PARENTS HOUSE WITHOUT TELLING HER ANYTHING! WELL... THE LIST OF HIS MISDEEDS IS A LONG ONE, WILL!
AND IT LOOKS LIKE HIS BAD HABITS ARE HARD TO BREAK!

SUSAN HAD TO MANAGE ON HER OWN, MAKING GREAT SACRIFICES TO HOLD ONTO WHAT WAS LEFT OF HER FAMILY!
YOUR MOTHER'S A VERY STRONG WOMAN, WILL!
I KNOW...
...BUT THIS TIME ALL OF HER DETERMINATION MIGHT NOT HELP HER MUCH!
WHAT YOU TOLD ME IS SAD AND TERRIBLE...
THAT'S WHY WE'RE HERE, KADMA! WE NEED YOUR HELP!
IT WAS EASY TO SEE WHY YOU CAME TO SEE ME!
I'M SORRY TO DISAPPOINT YOU, GIRLS... BUT I CAN'T DO ANYTHING TO HELP YOU!
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I FEEL NO HOSTILITY TOWARDS YOU... BUT I WANT NOTHING MORE TO DO WITH KANDRAKAR OR ITS GUARDIANS!

I HAD A TASK, AND I COMPLETED IT! I LOOKED OVER YOU AND PROTECTED YOU UP UNTIL THE MOMENT OF THE REVELATION...
...AND WHEN I GAVE YOU HALINOR'S DIARY,* MY MISSION WAS OVER!
*READ W.I.T.C.H. #19.
THE RISING STAR FOUNDATION WILL CONTINUE TO HELP THOSE IN NEED!
YOU HAVE THE POWER TO WORK THINGS OUT ON YOUR OWN!
HOW CAN YOU JUST STAND THERE AND DO NOTHING? IF WILL HAS TO LEAVE HEATHERFIELD, WHAT WILL BECOME OF W.I.T.C.H.?
THIS MIGHT SURPRISE YOU, TARANEE, BUT THAT DOESN'T CONCERN ME IN THE LEAST!
WHAT? YOU... YOU...
YOU'VE BEEN REALLY KIND! THANKS FOR THE INFORMATION YOU GAVE US... AND I'M SORRY IF WE'VE DISTURBED YOU!
?

WHAT ARE YOU APOLOGIZING FOR?
IT'S TIME TO GO, TARANEE!
"THERE'S NOTHING ELSE WE CAN DO HERE!"
SHAAAAAR
I DON'T OWE ANYONE ANYTHING, CHEEPEE!
I DON'T OWE ANYONE ANYTHING!

NICE TATTOO, STROMBERG! THAT NEW?

YOU DIDN'T HAVE IT THE LAST TIME YOU GOT PUT AWAY!
CHECK OUT THAT UGLY MUG!

WHY DID WE COME HERE?
TO FIND OUR FRIEND SLIMERICK! ALL PRIVATE INVESTIGATORS HAVE THEIR LICENSES REGISTERED WITH THE POLICE!

I DON'T THINK THEY'LL JUST GIVE US THE INFORMATION WE'RE LOOKING FOR!
SO WE'LL GO FIND IT OURSELVES! LEAVE IT TO ME!
WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO?

TAKE A WILD GUESS!
IRMA! ARE YOU... ARE YOU NUTS? SOMEBODY MIGHT SEE YOU!

HOW COULD THEY? I'M INVISIBLE!
POLICE
YOU CAN'T BE SERIOUS! GET BACK HERE!

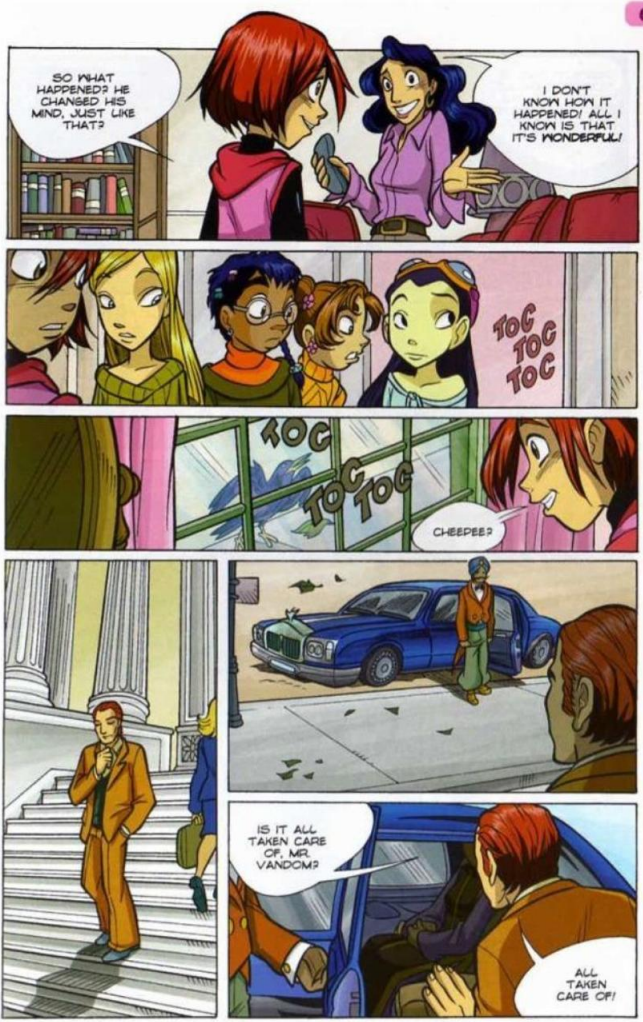
BEING INVISIBLE IS HARDER THAN IT IS FUN! IT'S SO DIFFICULT TO AVOID BUMPING INTO PEOPLE AROUND YOU!
HMMM... DAD'S NOT IN HIS OFFICE, BUT HIS COMPUTER'S UP AND RUNNING!
I HOPE HE WON'T GET ANGRY IF I RUN A QUICK SEARCH! AFTER ALL, IT'S JUST A NAME...
CLACKETY CLACK
"...SO I CAN FIND AN ADDRESS!"
BEAUTIFUL HUTCHVILLE! THE CHEERFUL OUTSKIRTS OF HEATHERFIELD!
WELCOME to HUTCHVILLE
STOP
...JUST THE KIND OF PLACE WHERE YOU'D FIND A GUY LIKE SLIMERICK!
NOT EVERYONE CAN AFFORD A PENTHOUSE LIKE YOURS, CORNY DARLING...

...BUT I'M SURE THE SLEAZEBAG DESERVES A RAT HOLE LIKE THIS!
HIS OFFICE IS ON THE THIRD FLOOR! LET'S GO IN THROUGH THE ALLEY! THAT WAY, NOBODY WILL SEE US!
PERFECT! NO ONE'S HOME!
THE COAST IS CLEAR, GUYS!
HELP US GET UP THERE, HAY-HEY!
LOOKS LIKE A REAL PIGSTY!
IT SMELLS LIKE ONE, TOO! A FAMILY OF WET DOGS LIVING HERE WOULD MAKE THE PLACE A ROSE GARDEN BY COMPARISON!
GASP! AIR!
THOSE PHOTOS HAVE GOT TO BE HERE, SOMEWHERE IN THE MIDDLE OF THIS MESS! LET'S GET TO WORK, GUYS...
"...BECAUSE TIME'S RUNNING OUT!"
HEY! MY WINDOW'S OPEN!
THERE'S SOMEBODY IN MY OFFICE!

THERE'S NOTHING HERE, TOO!
MAYBE HE KEPT THEM IN A SAFE OR HIDDEN SOMEWHERE ELSE!
LET'S HOPE NOT!
TUCK TUMP
!
!
SLIME RICK
INVESTIGATION
BANG
HOLD IT RIGHT THERE!
HUH?
BUT... THERE'S NOBODY HERE...
QUICK! LET'S GET OUT OF HERE!
SO WHAT DO WE TELL WILL?

THE NEXT DAY, AT THE VANDOM RESIDENCE...
YOU DID EVERYTHING YOU COULD, GUYS... AND I REALLY APPRECIATE IT...
...BUT ALL WE CAN DO NOW IS WAIT!
IT'S FIVE MINUTES TO TWELVE! WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN NOW?
MOM!
!
CHUNK
SHOULDN'T YOU BE AT SCHOOL AT THIS TIME?
WE GOT OUT EARLY! THERE WAS A TEACHERS' STRIKE... OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT! AND WHY AREN'T YOU AT WORK?
THERE WAS A STRIKE... OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT!
I GOT IT! WELL... IF YOU NEED ANYTHING, WE'RE ALL IN MY ROOM!
WHAT DID YOUR MOM DECIDE TO DO?
I DON'T KNOW!
"...BUT I TRUST HER!"
COME ON, THOMAS! CALL ME! I'M READY FOR YOU!

...I WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT I'M NOT AFRAID OF YOU... AND I WON'T GIVE INTO YOUR BLACK-MAIL!
AND YOU'LL NEVER GET WILL!
RIIING
HELLO?
Y-YES?
FIVE MINUTES AGO, YOUR FATHER WITHDREW HIS CASE!
YAHOOO!
IT WAS JUDGE COOK, HONEY! SHE WAS CALLING FROM THE COURTHOUSE WITH GREAT NEWS!
WHO WAS ON THE PHONE?
REALLY? I... I SEE! THANK YOU!
THANK YOU?


SO WHAT HAPPENED? HE CHANGED HIS MIND, JUST LIKE THAT?
I DON'T KNOW HOW IT HAPPENED! ALL I KNOW IS THAT IT'S WONDERFUL!
TOC TOC TOC
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CHEEPEE?
IS IT ALL TAKEN CARE OF, MR. VANDOM?
ALL TAKEN CARE OF!

PERFECT! THIS IS YOURS, THEN! AS YOU'LL SEE, THE AMOUNT IS GREATER THAN WHAT YOU WERE IN NEED OF!
CONSIDER IT A LITTLE INCENTIVE TO GET YOU OUT OF THE PICTURE ONCE AND FOR ALL!
YOU CAN COUNT ON IT, LADY! I DON'T KNOW WHO YOU ARE OR WHY YOU'RE DOING ALL OF THIS, BUT IT'S A DONE DEAL!
AND DON'T FORGET, MR. VANDOM...
...I'LL BE KEEPING MY EYE ON YOU!
WE CAN GO NOW, PERKINS!
I'D SAID I WASN'T GOING TO GET INVOLVED IN THIS, BUT AFTER ALL, WHY WOULD I WANT TO BEHAVE LIKE THE ORACLE?
HAPPY, CHEEPEE? LET'S GO HOME!
BREEEEEP BREEEEEP BREEEP

HEY THERE, SLIMERICK! HUH? OH, OF COURSE... YOUR MONEY! SORRY, BUDDY, BUT PLANS HAVE CHANGED A BIT!
YOUR PICTURES WON'T BE NEEDED ANYMORE!
...WHICH MEANS I DON'T OWE YOU A THING!
CLICK
GO AHEAD AND RING...
BREEEEEP BREEEEEP BREEEEEP
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...BUT I DON'T FEEL LIKE TALKING TO YOU!
HE'S NOT ANSWERING! ANOTHER DISAPPEARANCE WITH NO EXPLANATION!
YOU KNOW WHAT I SAY? ALL FOR THE BEST!
HEY, WHAT DO YOU SAY WE GET GOING?

WE'LL LEAVE YOU TWO ALONE! SEE YOU TOMORROW, OKAY?
THANKS AGAIN FOR EVERYTHING! YOU'RE THE GREATEST!
WE DID IT, WILL!
HOW DO YOU FEEL, MOM?
IT'S LIKE STARTING LIFE ALL OVER AGAIN! IT'S... IT'S WONDERFUL!
WANT TO GO FOR A LITTLE WALK?
YOU BET! WE DESERVE A BREAK... AND IT'LL GIVE US A CHANCE TO TALK A BIT!
WE'VE BEEN NEGLECTING EACH OTHER LATELY, HAVEN'T WE?
WE REALLY HAVE! BUT THERE'S SOMEONE I'VE BEEN NEGLECTING EVEN MORE!
YOU READY, DORMOUSE? WE'RE GOING OUT FOR A BIT OF FRESH AIR!
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I'LL STOP BY TO SEE JUDGE COOK TOMORROW! I WANT TO HEAR ALL THE DETAILS! WHAT ON EARTH COULD'VE MADE THOMAS CHANGE HIS MIND?
MAYBE I SHOULD BE ASKING KADMA THAT QUESTION...
...BUT I DON'T THINK WE'LL EVER FIND OUT!
LOOK OUT!
DORMOUSE! GET BACK HERE! DORMOUSE!
DORMOUSE!
SKREEEEEEK

DEAR HEAVENS...
NO!
I DIDN'T SEE HIM, REALLY! HE JUST JUMPED OUT IN FRONT OF ME! I DIDN'T HAVE TIME TO STOP!
DON'T TOUCH HIM! DON'T TOUCH HIM!
HE'S STILL BREATHING, WILL! LET'S TAKE HIM TO THE PET SHOP! I'LL GO GET THE CAR!
DON'T WORRY, DORMOUSE...
"...MATT'S GRANDPA WILL BE ABLE TO HELP YOU!"
OPEN
WILL!
DING
MATT! I... I MY DORMOUSE IS HURT!
HE WAS HIT BY A CAR! TELL ME YOU CAN MAKE HIM BETTER!
LET ME TAKE A LOOK AT HIM, WILL!
AND YOU! KEEP YOUR FRIEND COMPANY!
A-ALL RIGHT!

MATT!
SHHH! DON'T SAY ANYTHING!
BUT I HAVE TO EXPLAIN! I WAS MAD AT YOU, BUT YOU DIDN'T DO ANYTHING TO DESERVE IT!
MANDY TOLD ME A FEW THINGS ABOUT IT! DON'T WORRY! WE ALL MISUNDERSTAND THINGS SOMETIMES!
DID SHE TELL HIM SOMETHING ABOUT IT...
...OR DID SHE TELL HIM EVERYTHING?
HEY! HERE COMES GRANDPA!
MR. OLSEN... WHAT...?
I EXAMINED HIM. WELL, AND... WELL... YOUR DORMOUSE WAS HIT PRETTY HARD!
WILL HE GET BETTER?
I'M AFRAID NOT, DEAR! HE'S BADLY HURT! ALL I CAN DO IS SPARE HIM FROM ALL THIS SUFFERING!

I'LL HAVE TO PUT HIM TO SLEEP, WILL!
NO!
WILL...
NO... IT'S NOT FAIR!
WHY, MOM? WHY? EVERYTHING WAS GOING SO WELL! WHY DID THIS HAVE TO HAPPEN?
I DON'T KNOW, DEAR! I'M SORRY! BE BRAVE!
CAN I SEE HIM ONE LAST TIME, MR. OLSEN?
COME WITH ME, WILL...

DORMOUSE...
...DORMOUSE...
I'M SORRY, WILL, BUT YOU'LL HAVE TO LEAVE NOW!
I'LL GIVE YOU SOME ADVICE, AND IT COMES FROM THE HEART... DON'T LOOK BACK!
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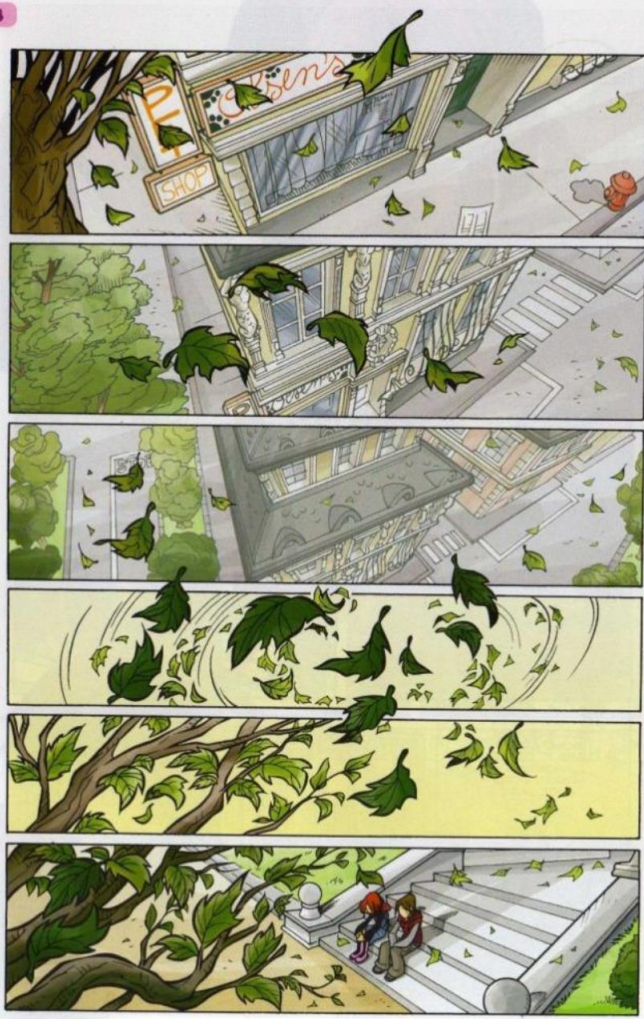
GOODBYE, DORMOUSE! I LOVE YOU!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